IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Confirmation No.: 1031
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Application No.: 10/563,571) Group Art Unit: 1638
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For: A METHOD FOR OBTAINING IMPROVED FERTILITY RESTORER LINES FOR TRANSGENIC MALE STERILE CROP PLANTS AND A DNA CONSTRUCT FOR

USE IN SAID METHOD

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

The present paper responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 17, 2008. This paper is timely filed on or before December 17, 2008. If an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required, such an extension is requested, with the fee to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

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